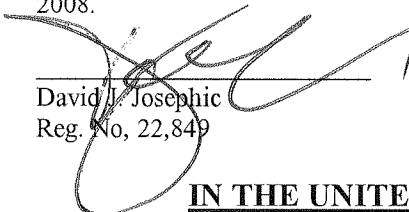


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REPLY TO OFFICIAL ACTION

This Reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2008, setting forth an Election/Restrictions Requirement.

Responsive to the Group Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect Method Group 1, namely, claims 1-2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13-14. Furthermore, responsive to the species election requirement, Applicants hereby elect species B, of water, stabilizer and ambient temperature and pressure.

Furthermore, claims encompassing the elected species B include: All the claims of Group 1, namely, 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13-14. Claim 1 is generic.

Applicants hereby make the elections without waiver of the right of rejoinder.

If any questions arise concerning the further prosecution of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney.

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